

Assisting Patient with Prescribed Medication (April 2013)

Item: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist patient with administration of physician prescribed medication device including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metered dose inhalers Medication pump Sublingual nitroglycerin Self-administered emergency medications.
Classification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic Life Support procedure Specified in existing regulations
Use and Level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not authorized for First Aid or EMR Authorized for all levels of EMT as basic scope of practice.
Authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 100063(a)(16) of the EMT Regulations, Chapter 2, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations allows EMT to assist patient administer doctor prescribed medication devices. Section 100106(a) of the AEMT Regulations, Chapter 3, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations refers to AEMTs being able to provide any activity identified in the scope of practice for an EMT. Section 100146(a) of the Paramedic Regulations, Chapter 4, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations states that a Paramedic may perform any activity identified in the scope of practice for an EMT.
Training: As specified in EMT and Paramedic regulations for level of provider.
Equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring that the medication is prescribed to the patient and not expired
Medical Direction: Used in accordance with a protocol written and approved by the local EMS agency medical director (HS 1797.220).
Considerations and Recommendations: This may include orphan drugs/devices prescribed for rare medical conditions.